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**APPLICANT:** Joel Bader et.al.

**SERIAL NUMBER:** 09/755,398

**ART UNIT:** 1637

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**FOR:** Method of Analyzing A Nucleic Acid

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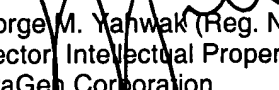
**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

In response to the Office Action of January 14<sup>th</sup> 2004, Applicants request that they be granted an additional 3 month period of time in which to file their response, i.e., that the new period to respond be set for July 14<sup>th</sup> 2004.

The Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized to charge the fee of \$475.00 set under 37 CFR1.17(a)(4), Applicants claiming small entity status to Deposit Account No. 502648. This Request is being filed in duplicate.

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